

The Fire Safety Code Board of Appeal & Review met in Conference Room 109 at 260 West Exchange Street, Providence, RI on Tuesday, January 24, 2006 at 1:00 PM. Present were Acting Chairman Rene Coutu and Commissioners Richard, Blackburn, Newbrook, Preiss, Filippi and Burlingame. Also present were Executive Director Thomas Coffey, Jr., Esq. and Assistant Administrative Officer Carol Marsella. The following appeals were considered.

Appeal #030059: Mr. Hermino Correia, for the property located at 4 Blossom Street, West Warwick. Chief of Inspections William Howe and Inspectors Quinterno and Viera appeared for the State Fire Marshal's office. Chief David Pastore appeared for the West Warwick Fire Marshal's office. Commissioner Blackburn made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Newbrook, that the Applicant's request to lift the 20% occupancy penalty can be lifted when the Applicant meets the requirements of the December 31, 2005 deadlines. The Fire Department will have up to two months to review the Applicant's plans for this facility. The file will be left open. The motion was unanimous.

Appeal #060005: Mr. Joshua Barrette for the property located at 20 Goddard Road in Cranston. Chief William Howe appeared for the State Fire Marshal's office. Commissioner Richard made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Newbrook, to grant the following relief. A variance is granted from the provisions of section 13.8.10.4.1.5.1 provided that the ceiling hatch is closed, making this a

non-accessible ceiling. A variance is granted from the provisions of section 13.8.10.4.2.4 to allow alternate protection in the cited area. The motion passed over the objections of Commissioners Burlingame, Preiss and O'Connell.

Appeal #050304: Mr. Jason Votelato and Mr. Thomas Macchio, for the property located at 67 Cedar Street in Providence. Chief of Inspections William Howe and DSFM Christine Kent appeared for the State Fire Marshal's office. Commissioner Newbrook made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Blackburn, to approve the Applicant's request not to install a drill switch in this facility. The motion passed with Commissioner Burlingame abstaining.

Appeal #050860: Mr. William H. Connerton, for the property located at 16 Farewell Street, Newport. ADSFM Christopher Kirwin appeared for the Newport Fire Marshal's office. Commissioner Filippi made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Richard, to grant the following relief. A variance is granted from the provisions of sections 7.2.1.4.5 and 7.2.2.2.1(b) on the basis of structural hardship. The Applicant is allowed to maintain previously granted variances, and finally, the Applicant is granted a time variance of 120 days from the date of this decision in order to correct deficiency #9, at the direction and to the satisfaction of the Newport Fire Marshal's office. The motion was unanimous.

Appeal #050008: Mr. Raymundo Chaves, for the property located at

46 Valley Street, Providence. Inspector Daniel Isles appeared for the Providence Fire Marshal's office. Commissioner Newbrook made a motion, seconded by Commissioner O'Connell, that the applicant either fix or remove the cited hydrant, at the direction and to the satisfaction of the Providence Fire Marshal's office.

Appeal #050015: William DiMitri, Esq. for the property located at 178-184 Bowen Street, Providence. Inspector Quintero appeared for the State Fire Marshal's office. It was determined that the Applicant shall return before the Board on March 7, 2006.

Appeal #050288: Jeffrey Hatcher appeared for the property located at 612 Academy Avenue, Providence. Lt. Richard Silva appeared for the Providence Fire Marshal's office. Commissioner Burlingame made a motion seconded by Commissioner Preiss, to approve the package submitted by the Architect, which will include, but is not limited to, approving variance requests and the submitted timetable. The Applicant has worked extensively with the AHJ in creating suitable protection at the school. The motion was unanimous.

Under Old Business, Commissioner Newbrook made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Richard, to grant the Applicant relief from the provisions of section 7.2.2.4.5 for the property called Newport Heights. This facility was previously before the Board on November 8, 2005, but this variance was inadvertently omitted from the request at that time. ADSFM Christopher Kirwin appeared for the

**Newport Fire Marshal's office and had no objection to the request.
The motion was unanimous.**

**Respectfully submitted,
Carol Marsella**